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## *House Bill 467-New Dental Hygiene Law*

House Bill 467 became law on July 15, 2002, however the Board has communicated to licensees that Administrative Regulations needed to be filed and approved for all three parts of this law, before implementation. Two of these Administrative Regulations have been approved and are now law.

KRS 313.310 which relates to a dental hygienist providing dental hygiene services to a patient when the supervising dentist is not physically present and the relating Administrative Regulation KAR 201 8:450 has been approved. You were given copies of this law and Administrative Regulation last fall.

KRS 313.343 which relates to a dental hygienist performing block/infiltration, and nitrous oxide anesthesia and relating Administrative Regulation KAR 201 8:460 has been approved. We are including the law and regulation in this newsletter. The course that will be necessary for dental hygienists to complete will not be in place until this summer. In order to find out when and where these courses will be available, the Board will post this information on the Board of Dentistry web-site <http://dentistry.state.ky.us>.

KRS 313.345 which relates to a dental assistant performing coronal polishing and relating Administrative Regulation KAR 201 8:470 has been filed and should be completed by May 2003. The dental assistant will need to complete a course as part of requirements to perform coronal polishing. This course will not be available until this summer and information concerning this course will be posted on the Board of Dentistry web-site. This regulation will be sent to you later this year.

All dental laws and regulations can be located on the dental web-site by going to Statutes and Regulations tab on left-hand side of home page. When you click on Statutes it takes you straight to Chapter 313 Dental Practice Act. When you click on Regulations you must scroll down to Chapter 8 Board of Dentistry.

## **RETIREMENT OF KENTUCKY LICENSURE**

Any licensee wishing to retire their Kentucky license must notify the Board office of this in writing. The best time to retire your license is during a renewal cycle. On the renewal form there is a place to mark that you do not wish to renew your Kentucky license, simply check the box, state the reason you are retiring, sign and date the back of the renewal form and mail back to the Board office. A letter will be sent to you within a few weeks confirming your retirement.

Failure to contact the Board office of retirement of licensure will result in your license being suspended for non-renewal. If your license is suspended for non-renewal and you wish to reinstate it later, you will have to come before the full board to request reinstatement of your Kentucky license.

## RENEWAL OF ANESTHESIA PERMITS

Any dentist who holds an anesthesia permit must renew that permit at the same time as the dental license. The fee for renewal of an anesthesia permit is \$30.00, in addition to the dental licensure renewal fee. You must also send in proof of being current in ACLS or PALS OR being current in BLS and submitting proof of taking six (6) hours of continuing education in anesthesia safety and emergency procedures. These six (6) hours do not count towards the thirty (30) hours need to renew your dental license.

If you no longer administer anesthesia in any office location, you can retire your anesthesia permit. You may do this by marking at the top of the anesthesia permit renewal that you do not wish to renew and state the reason, sign and date it on the back and mail it back with your dental license renewal.

If the licensee holds an anesthesia permit and the permit is not renewed or retired at the time of renewing the dental license, this *will* hold up the renewal of your dental license, which could subject you to a reinstatement fee or possible disciplinary action by the Board.

## HYGIENISTS SUSPENDED FOR NON-RENEWAL

Below is a list of dental hygienists that did not renew nor notify the Board office in writing of retirement of their Kentucky Dental Hygiene License for 2003. These licensees are suspended for Non-Renewal.

Sheila Adams	Janice Pierce
Michele Albertini	Diane Rothschild
Cynthia Barnes	Marcella Saylor
Karen Cherry	Hollie Smith
Pamela Etienne	Donna Torrance
Gurceile Jones	Mary Vanbrackel
Denise Logan	Janeen Wallingford

## SMALLPOX VACCINATION BEGINS UNTOWARD REACTIONS POSSIBLE *Rice C.. Leach, MD* **KY Commissioner for Public Health**

President Bush announced on Friday December 13, 2002 that the Department of Defense (DOD) will begin to vaccinate large numbers of its active force against smallpox. In addition, the Department for Public Health and selected health departments across the state will begin vaccinations for approximately 8000 health care workers in health departments and hospitals as soon as the vaccine is released. While it is not clear which military personnel in Kentucky will receive the vaccine, it does mean that there may be unintended vaccination of a few family members and social contacts of the DOD personnel. Healthcare personnel from across the state will be getting vaccinated after the President releases the materials so the same risks exist for their contacts. Therefore, Kentucky's physicians and hospitals should increase their awareness of skin lesions that might be the

result of accidental implantation of the vaccine in military dependents and social contacts of the military. The potential for significant untoward effects of the vaccine is highest in the persons with the following conditions:

- ◆ Pregnancy
- ◆ Immunodeficiency
- ◆ Extensive skin disease
- ◆ Immunosuppressive therapies
- ◆ Eczema (present or past)
- ◆ Allergy to components of the vaccine

Physicians and health care facilities noticing unusual skin conditions should inquire about the possibility of contact with military or health care personnel recently vaccinated against smallpox. Suspected untoward events should be reported to the Kentucky Department for Public, Division of Epidemiology at 1-888-9REPORT (1-888-973/7678). For more information on smallpox vaccination, we recommend the CDC web-site.

<http://www.bt.cdc.gov/agent/smallpox/>.

## LABORATORIES NOT RENEWED FOR 2003

Below is a list of Dental Laboratories who have not yet renewed for 2003 as of February 21, 2003. Pursuant to KRS 313.530 and 201 KAR 8:015\$6 all dental laboratories doing business with Kentucky dentists must have a current registration certificate. If you use any of the laboratories listed below, or you are using a laboratory that cannot show proof of current registration, you must cease doing business with these laboratories until such time that they can show proof of a current 2003 renewal certificate.

Ahwatukee Dental Lab	Kims Dental Lab
Allen Dental Lab	Livthes Dental Lab
Artistic Dental Lab	Matthew Dental Lab
ATW Dental Lab	Mazzotti's Ceramic DL
Bonita L. Neukam Inc	Metro Dental Lab
Camp Dental Lab	Milburn Dental Lab
Capital Crown & Bridge	Misso Dental Esthetics
Cave City Dental Ceramics	Murphy Dental Lab
Ceramident Inc	Otrthotech Ortho Lab
Clark Dental Art Inc	Peterman Dental Lab
Cline Dental Lab	Pittman Crown & Bridge
Curd Dental Lab	Polo Dental Arts Inc
Dahlin Dental Lab	PPR Dental Lab
Denart	PrecisionCrown & Bridge
Dental Lab Inc	Professional Arts lab
Dentex	Recigno Laboratories
Enterprise Dental Lab	Risner Dental Lab
Excel Dental Studios	Somer Dental Lab
Executive Crown & Bridge	Space Maintainers Lab
Fuhrmann Dental Lab	TJD Dental Lab
Giles Dental Lab	Tom Kelly & Assoc DL
Greer & Greer PSC	Wooldridge Dental Lab
Grobmyer Dental Lab	X/Dental Crafts
Gundrum Dental Lab	
Hermanson Dental Services	
Hermitage Dnetal Lab	
Jims Dental Arts	
Kastle Prosthetic Service	

